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The bibliography on the hyperkinetic behavior syndrome focuses on the behavior characteristics of and treatment for hyperactivity. Entries are divided into the following sections (sample subsections are in parentheses): general review of pediatric psychopharmacology; the hyperkinetic behavior syndrome (overview, diagnosis and evaluation, assessment, familial factors, the preschool population, and the educator's perspective); drug treatment (antidepressants, stimulants, tranquilizers and others, and side effects); other treatments or hypotheses (behavior modification, multimodality treatments, and food additives); published articles; and NIMH (National Institute of Mental Health) research grants. Information on each entry usually includes author, title, source, publication data, and pagination. (SBH)

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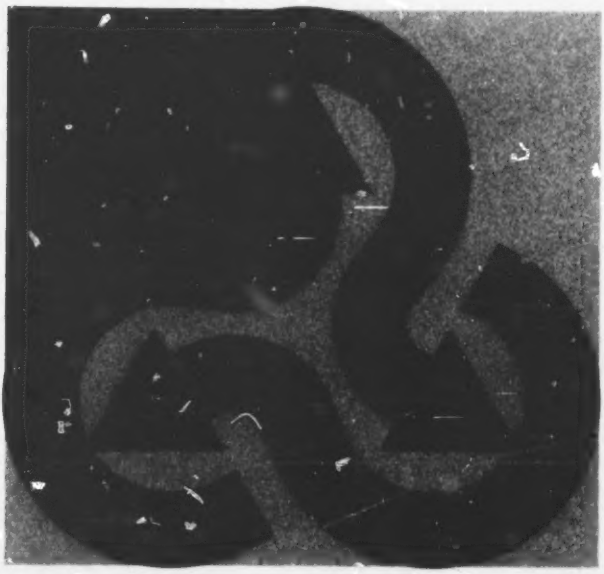

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# Foreword

*The emergence of professional and public concern about the hyperkinetic child has created a demand for information, whether for the purposes of scientific research or for personal insight. Current estimates of the prevalence of hyperkinesis fall between 3-10 percent constituting a sizeable proportion of children. The spectrum of behaviors exhibited by these children presents variables demanding investigation.*

*This bibliography with its thematic focus on the hyperkinetic behavior syndrome addresses the interests of educators, counselors, families, and researchers who seek information about the behavior of, and appropriate treatment for, the hyperkinetic child. The National Institute of Mental Health proposes that this publication be used to increase awareness and understanding of the sociopsychological, physiological, and pharmacological dimensions of the hyperkinetic behavior syndrome. I hope that the bibliography's availability will stimulate the expansion of knowledge as well as demonstrate to the readers that the needs of the hyperkinetic child merit continuing research and study.*

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# Preface

Unable to meet the behavioral expectations of family, peers, and school personnel, hyperkinetic children may experience failure. During the past decade, these children have been a focus of investigation. Hypotheses about etiology, diagnosis, and treatment have been, and continue to be, studied by the scientific community. This bibliography is intended to present much of the research pertinent to the hyperkinetic behavior syndrome. Because of the diversity of material referenced, there is often an overlap in classification; the information reported in one article may be subsumed under more than one category. While it is hoped that the bibliography will enable the professional and lay readers to select those facets of the research most relevant to their interests, an emphasis on the pharmacological treatment of the hyperkinetic child can be discerned. With the controversy about the pharmacotherapy of hyperkinetic children evidenced in both professional and lay writings, an aim of this bibliography is to offer the readers a framework for locating information and answering their own queries about the issues.

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